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The Honorable Harold Baer, Jr.
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
United States Courthouse
500 Pearl Street
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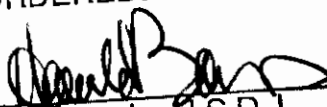
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HAROLD BAER
U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE
S D N.Y.Re: United States v. Louis Rodriguez, a/k/a "El Gordito,"
07 Cr. 677 (HB)

Dear Judge Baer:

The conference scheduled before Your Honor in the above-captioned matter was adjourned from September 7, 2007 until October 4, 2007. The Government and defense counsel are continuing to engage in discussions regarding a possible disposition of this matter, and therefore request that time be excluded between the date of this letter and October 4, 2007. The parties submit that the ends of justice served by taking this action outweigh the public's and the defendant's interest in a speedy trial because this exclusion will allow the parties to continue to engage in plea discussions and possibly reach a disposition of this matter.

Time is excluded to time of 10/4/07
SO ORDERED:
Harold Baer, Jr., U.S.D.J.

Date: 10/2/07

Sincerely,

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